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BIRTH.
On 18th March, at Shanghai, the wife of ARTHUR ROSE, of a daughter.
DEATH.
On 17th March, at Footing, Shanghai, ALFRED CHARLES WILLIAM MARSHALL, aged 12 months.

The Daily Press.

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HONGKONG, MARCH 24TH, 1905.

The concluding essay by Mr. ALBYNE IRELAND on American Administration in the Philippines, which we reproduced in extenso from the Times, must have proved stimulating to those of our readers who gave it a careful reading. Human nature is such that some American readers might be tempted to pooh-pooh all his arguments because of one or two unpalatable references; while, on the other hand, some British readers might seize upon certain of the odorous comparisons, and smile complacently without taking the trouble to consider how far-reaching are some of Mr. IRELAND's postulates and conclusions. The Times, while not endorsing all that its able correspondent wrote, has given him credit for ability and impartiality, and in referring to the trenchant character of his Philippine article, remarks: "The circumstances in which he is writing should be remembered. There is a special reason why he should treat this question with even more than his wonted impartiality and candour. Mr. IRELAND holds his commission to investigate these colonial problems from an American body, the Chicago University. In the case of the Philippines he is appealing directly to an American audience, which, as having empowered him to undertake these studies, he would wish above all others to be placed in possession of the truth." Whether the man be mistaken or not, we see no great reason for all these apologies. Americans are not too thin-skinned to hear

adverse criticism, and their own Government has certainly done much to obtain accurate information as to the state of things in these neighbouring islands. Our British readers will not be too uncharitably complacent because of Mr. IRELAND's kind comparisons, for some of them, have not yet forgotten his unsparring criticism of the administration of Hongkong. There seems to be some doubt as to how to take his remark that "the native of the tropics is not susceptible to the political and administrative ideals of our so-called Western civilization." We take it that Mr. IRELAND does not mean that the tropical aborigine is susceptible to no political or administrative ideals; yet that seems to be the contention against which our correspondent's arguments are directed. It does not seem to us that Western ideals can ever be effectively or usefully thrust, *holus bolus*, into the mind of the East; but their influence, under modification, is apparent enough in experience. There are certain ideals which men of different colours, different zones, share in common, ideals that were invented by human necessity. It appears that in the early days the Polynesians were so convinced of the value of truth, and the common danger of deceit, that they slew any convicted liar. Thus one tropical people at least were susceptible to at least one Western ideal—too susceptible, we can imagine a missionary telling them, for the biblical fate of liars is too dreadful for our tenderhearted orthodoxes in these days; and we regard it as only a figure of speech. Such things as "white lies" are accepted as every day necessities of civilized life. It is sad to have to add that no man in the South Seas ever now attaches credence to the word of a "converted" Kanaka, but there it is: civilization must continue its glorious march. Ideals are wonderful motors. It was a British ideal apostrophized that gave birth to the Great American Republic; and we will leave it to others to say if the ideal has been lost in the greatness. At all events, the same ideal seems to emerge in the Philippines, and to it must be credited one of the mistakes in American administration there that Mr. IRELAND tells us are being made. We do not think it such a mistake as would

that, having decided to foist Western standards upon this Eastern race, Westerners should stay to continue the task of foisting, which, as others have found before them, is a somewhat Sisyphean one. The present American ideal that would grant self government would be sure subsequently to strike many Americans as having failed, but the failure would be more apparent than real. The original standards as received from the West would inevitably undergo much modification, but such part of them as are capable of adaptation by the East would stick. The only real mistake we should feel inclined to attribute to the Americans in the Philippines is that of trying to "hustle" the East; for its result is that the nerves of the "hustler" are the first to succumb. The old saying about the mills of the gods fits Nature, and the East which is Nature; and no amount of hurrying will educate the Filipinos up to Broadway and the Bowery, election campaigns, Tammany and trusts, in the twinkling of an eye. These blessings must come gradually. The "yellow press" may come first, springing, fungus like, from the free education that is being so lavishly spread by a well meaning Government; but the "all men equal" idea must have time to grow. It has to be remembered that much of the Western civilization and ideals introduced by Spain has stuck; and that somehow all Western ideals do not agree, any more than do the Orient and the Occident at times. Mr. IRELAND mentions "practical reasons" that made it necessary to take that ideal (independence) from them. Ideals, whether impractical or not, create similar necessities. In the East, it is as with the pines of the Afforestation Department, to plant a young ideal, you have to cut down a strongly rooted old one, and it is a heart-rending process sometimes.

The French Mail of the 21st February was delivered in London on the 22nd inst.

The O.S.S. & C.M. str. *Agamemnon* left Singapore on the 22nd inst. at daylight.

The appeal of Hall and Holtz Ltd. at Shanghai, against the verdict for one of their employees who had broken his agreement, has been withdrawn.

Mr. Hunter Sharp has been appointed United States Consul at Kobe. Mr. Sharp was formerly Marshall at the Consulate, and about five years ago was promoted vice-Consul.

An entertainment will be given by the boys of St. Joseph's College on Saturday commencing at 8.30 p.m.

The death is announced of M. Georges Brenier, for many years director of the Messageries Maritimes at Marseilles and lately inspector-general of the Company. He died in Paris on the 8th inst. at the age of 73. His son holds a high official position in Indo-China.

Mr. Frank Browne, the Government Analyst, last evening delivered a very interesting lecture on "Radium" at the Union Church Literary Club. He exhibited specimens, and demonstrated his remarks by experiments. Dr. Thomson was in the chair.

The much discussed and about to be expropriated Tanjong Pagar docks at Singapore have \$1,178,851.25 to distribute as the result of last half-year's working. These shareholders are to receive a dividend at the rate of \$2 per share for the half-year, \$30,000 goes to reserve against bad or doubtful debts, \$200,255.73 is written off as depreciation; and the balance of \$206,645.52 it is proposed to carry forward.

A number of devout Russian soldiers have been interesting church-goers at Shanghai by their attendance at the Cathedral. They will not sit in the pews, but kneel in the aisles, making the sign of the cross repeatedly. The stained glass windows seem to inspire particular reverence in them. They go there to worship during the week, as well as on Sundays, which somewhat astonishes the orthodox, who consider one day sufficient.

An Australian paper recently had this—China, it is announced, intends to establish a kind of Parliament, consisting of the chief metropolitan officials, the members of the Hanlin College, the Board of Censors, and the Grand Secretariat. The assembly will, it is understood, discuss important foreign and domestic matters—when the Throne commands. Foreign residents consider that the projected Parliament will prove illusory and useless.

Mr. Henry Dallas wishes us to announce that in response to numerous requests he will extend his season in Hongkong until Tuesday next, and to give the playgoing section of the Colony a chance of deciding which of the pieces he has produced this season have been most popular, he has hit upon the novel idea of having these last two performances decided by ballot. The ballot boxes are at the Robinson Piano Co.'s store, and all, whether taking reserved or other seats, are requested to put their cards in, stating at the back, which piece they would like to be repeated. The boxes will be open on Saturday evening, and the pieces to be played announced in our Monday morning edition.

A general correspondent, Mr. Takashima, that painted the picture on the new historical kite which was sent up by the Japanese to inform the Russian Army of the fall of Port Arthur. The picture represented St. Michael and the Archangel, and underneath written in the Russian language, was the legend:—"Port Arthur has fallen. On the morning of the happy new year we have the honour to announce this with hearty greetings." The hearty greetings alluded, of course, to the sketch on the kite. It was subsequently learned from prisoners that the kite fell into the hands of a Russian Lieutenant at Liuchangtung. Affixed to the tail was a letter written in French, the contents of which are not mentioned.

A short time ago there was published in Tokyo a telegram running thus:—"It is supposed that the reason for this new attitude on the part of Germany is to be found in the utterances of Secretary Hay who is reported to have recently said that unless Germany changes her policy with regard to China, war between Great Britain and Germany will hardly be avoidable." It now appears, says the *Japan Mail*, that these alleged utterances of Secretary Hay have been made the subject of an official conversation between the German Ambassador in Washington and Secretary Hay. The latter emphatically denied the whole story, and expressed his desire that it should be contradicted in the most unequivocal manner. The *Kokumin Shimbum*, which was the first to publish the original telegram in Japan, now gives the contradiction.

By kind permission of Major Radcliffe and officers, the Band of the 93rd Burma Infantry will play the following programme of music, at the King Edward Hotel, during dinner, this (Friday) evening:—
March "The Washington Post" Souza
Idyll "Hiawatha" Moret
Selection "The Belle of New York" Koriker
Lancers "The Toreador" Williams
Valse "A Greek Slave" Sidney Jones
Selection "Floradora" Leslie Stuart
Polka "Piccadilly" Green
Menuet "Hors D'Œuvres—Sliced Tomatoes, Beetroot and Water, Cress, Caviare on Toast.
Soups—Ox Tail Soup, Julienne soup. Fish—Poiled Fish Anchovy Sauce, Entrees—Brisket of Chicken Larded, Grilled Fillet of Beef and Chopped Potatoes, Quail in Jelly. Joints—Roast Saddle of Mutton, Roast Wild Duck, and Cold York Ham. Curry—Curry Chicken Liver. Salad—Scotch Salad, Vegetables—Boiled Potatoes, Mashed Potatoes, French Beans, Stewed Carrots. Sweets—Zababab Pudding, Sponge Cakes, Chocolate Ice Cream. Finger Cakes. Fruits in Season. Tea and Coffee.

It is stated in the 1905 edition of the Advertiser's A.B.C. the well-known annual published by Messrs. T. B. Browne and Co., advertising agents of London and New York, that there are at the present time 4,807 newspapers, magazines, periodicals, etc., published in the United Kingdom, classified as follows:—London Newspapers and Periodicals (including Suburban) 971; Provincial Newspapers and Magazines, 2,403; London Magazines, Reviews, etc., 1,433; Total 4,807.

TELEGRAMS.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

ANOTHER GERMAN COLONIAL TROUBLE.

LONDON, 23rd March.

Rebellion has broken out in the German Cameroons (Kamerun), equatorial West-Africa.

KING EDWARD VII.

LONDON, 23rd March.

His Majesty the King is paying another visit to the Continent on the 6th April.

NEW BRITISH MINISTER TO DENMARK.

LONDON, 23rd March.

The Hon. Alan Johnstone, Secretary of Embassy at Vienna, is appointed to succeed Sir W. Edward Goschen as British Minister at Copenhagen.

[He is the fourth son of Baron Derwent, and married Miss Pinchot of New York. He has been a diplomat for twenty-six years, serving at Vienna, Washington, Belgrade, the Hague, and Rome. Copenhagen will not be new to him as he was Legation Secretary there in 1893, and Acting Chargé in 1896-99.]

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

TERRIFIC STORMS IN EUROPE.

LONDON, 21st March.

Queen Alexandra is stern-bound at Vigo. A terrific tempest is ravaging the Spanish and Portuguese coasts.

NEXT JAPANESE LOAN.

LONDON, 21st March.

Mr. Takahashi, Vice-President of the Bank of Japan, who has arrived in London, states that a new Japanese loan is contemplated, and that it will probably be issued in England and America, but he has reason to believe that German, Dutch, Swiss, and Belgian banks are all anxious to secure a portion. Nothing however is yet settled.

SOMALILAND.

LONDON, 21st March.

General Swaine, Commissioner and Consul-General for Somaliland Protectorate, telegraphed to Berbera, and that peace has been concluded.

THE WAR.

["DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.]

THE POSITION OF LINIE-VIRCH AND HIS ARMY.

LONDON, 23rd March.

The Russian army is now reported to be occupying a strong strategic position, extending for about one hundred and fifty miles between Kirin and Bodune.

[We are unable to discover "Bodune" on any of our maps, or in the Gazetteer. It must seem odd to speak of a position with a front extended for 150 miles as strong strategically; but there are optimists still left in St. Petersburg.]

NEW JAPANESE WARSHIP LAUNCHED.

LONDON, 23rd March.

The *Kashima*, just built at Elswick to Japan's order, was launched to-day.

[BY COURTESY OF THE JAPANESE CONSUL.]

RUSSIANS STILL RETREATING.

TOKYO, 23rd March.

Our detachment following up the enemy, entered on the 21st inst., Chantu, twenty miles north of Kaiyuan.

Large bodies of the enemy are retreating in disorder in a north-easterly direction along the railway.

[REUTERS' SERVICE.]

KUROPATKIN.

LONDON, 21st March.

It is understood at St. Petersburg that General Kuropatkin preferred to remain in Manchuria, but that he has accepted the command of the First Army Corps in Russia.

RUSSIAN MOBILIZATION.

LONDON, 21st March.

It is believed that the Russian preparations and renewed mobilization are largely undertaken for the purpose of strengthening the position in the event of peace negotiations being opened.

LINIEVITCH'S DESPATCHES.

LONDON, 21st March.

The place of origin of General Linievitch's despatches is not disclosed, but it is believed to be Surgut, where forces from Russia will be now reaching him.

["N. C. Daily News" Service.]

FRENCH OPINION.

TOKYO, 17th March.

Japan's decisive victory at Mukden has completely changed the tone of the French Press which now unanimously advocates peace. Not to speak of the pro-Japanese papers or socialist papers, which, affirming Russia's total defeat, insist with increased energy upon immediate peace, such serious papers as the *Temps*, the *Matin*, and even the *Echo de Paris* and the *Gauche* all express the opinion that as there remains no hope of victory for Russia in the near future, it would be better for her to conclude peace upon reasonable terms. There is serious anxiety among capitalists concerning the future prospects of Russia. The *Matin*, which after the battle of Liouyang loudly declared that Japan could henceforth entertain no more hope of success, writes on the 15th inst. that:—"The fate of war has now decided that the Japanese are masters over both sea and land. Russia can no longer fight for victory in the present war. Japan is assured of gathering all the fruits of victory; a new nation of the East is the best available means of ending this hopeless war. It points out the difficulties Russia would experience in paying off her present debt of £200,000,000 to France, and suggests that the French Government should use its influence for the restoration of peace, which is most necessary at the present moment. It concludes by saying that no further Russian loan should be subscribed in Paris until the Czar promulgates a constitution for Russia."

A London telegram received here to-day says that a thoughtful article in one of the papers has been welcomed by the public in Paris. It considers that the postponement of the Russian loan is the best available means of ending this hopeless war. It points out the difficulties Russia would experience in paying off her present debt of £200,000,000 to France, and suggests that the French Government should use its influence for the restoration of peace, which is most necessary at the present moment. It concludes by saying that no further Russian loan should be subscribed in Paris until the Czar promulgates a constitution for Russia.

THE ADVANCE OF THE VICTORS.

TOKYO, 18th March.

According to the reports of prisoners, General Kuropatkin was personally in command in the vicinity of Tielching on the 14th inst.

They also report that three divisions of Russian troops faced the Japanese on the 15th. It is officially announced that the Japanese pursuing force north of Tielching occupied an eminence on the right bank of the Liao river yesterday, from which they shelled the retreating Russians.

LATER.

Some of the papers here now prognosticate that the Russians will not attempt to hold Kaiyuan, and indicate that their immediate objective will be Changchun, while others point to Kungchuling.

Yesterday the Japanese vanguard occupied Fenchu, and found signs of the abandonment of Kaiyuan, which the Russians are burning. [Fukunien is about forty miles west by south of Kaiyuan.]

The Japanese war correspondents report that the Russians last night in the vicinity of Kaiyuan were steadily retiring, and the railway station there was on fire on Saturday afternoon.

It seems that Fenchu was occupied by the Japanese without opposition.

The ice on the Hunho is already thawed.

THE COST OF THE VICTORY.

TOKYO, 18th March.

The Japanese casualties are now estimated at 52,000, including over one thousand officers.

CONGRATULATORY COREA.

TOKYO, 18th March.

The Emperor of Corea is despatching Prince Yi Chai-kak to congratulate the Japanese Court on the successes in Manchuria.

AN UNLUCKY STAR.

TOKYO, 18th March.

The British steamer *Mars*, from Barry, with coal, recently ice-bound, has struck a rock in Kamashiri Channel, Hokkaido.

THE NEW RUSSIAN ARMY.

TOKYO, 18th March.

Very little importance is attached here to the loud talk at St. Petersburg about sending out a new army. Armies are not made in a minute, nor are guns, much less successful leaders and a morale which will ensure success.

THE COURT-MARTIAL ON GENERAL STOESEL.

LONDON, 18th March.

A commission has been appointed under the presidency of General Roop to investigate the circumstances of the capitulation of Port Arthur, and try General Stoessel.

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The twenty-third annual general meeting of the Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited, was held at the offices of the general agents, Messrs Jardine, Matheson and Company at 12.30 p.m. yesterday.

The Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson was in the chair and there were also present Messrs J. Barton (Secretary), A. G. Wood, H. P. White, H. N. Mody, J. R. Michael, E. J. Moses, W. H. Gaskell, A. Runjahn, J. C. Pater, P. Tester, W. A. Cruickshank and others.

The CHAIRMAN said—Gentlemen—You will doubtless consent, in the usual course, to take the report and accounts presented to you as read. I regret that, for the fourth year in succession, for reasons well-known to you, the refinery at Malabon perforce remained closed, and that the accounts merely show an increase in the sum at debit, equal to the amount necessarily expended on the care of machinery, interest, insurance premia, &c. As mentioned in the report, the prospects of obtaining some outlet for our sugar in the Philippines improved at the end of last year, the demand for local consumption appearing to be on the increase, and after careful consideration it was decided to resume work at Malabon as soon as the refinery could be put in order, and a supply of raw sugar obtained. The latest advices from

the Manila agents indicate that it is expected work will commence at the end of the present month, and I trust the results will be favourable and that a sufficiently profitable market will be found for our sugar to enable us to continue steady work. I would impress upon you that the present start is more or less of an experimental nature, and that the future is by no means assured. Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts I shall be pleased to answer any questions which shareholders may wish to ask.

There were no questions and the report and accounts were adopted on the motion of the CHAIRMAN seconded by Mr. Mody.

Mr. PETER proposed the resolution of Messrs. A. G. Wood and E. Shellin to the Consulting Committee. Mr. Moses seconded and the motion was carried.

Mr. GASKELL proposed and Mr. TESTER seconded the resolution of Mr. T. Arnold as auditor. Carried.

The CHAIRMAN—That is all the business. Thank you for your attendance.

SHANGHAI AND HONGKONG WHARF CO., LD.

The balance sheet and report of this company was issued on the 13th March. Of the authorised capital of £15,400,000, there have been issued 31,848, hundred twelve shares. During the year 1904, 7,200 worth of six per cent. debentures were issued making the debenture liability £15,400,000. Practically all (£11,84 out of £12,000) of the new shares were taken up. After payment of an interim dividend of four pence per share on August 23rd, the Profit and Loss credit balance stands at £1,190,255.92, of which a final dividend of six pence per share on 20,000 old shares, and of three pence on the new, is being paid. £15,240,000 is placed to Repairs account, and £15,101,121.92 carried forward. The overdraft having been considerably reduced, there will be a saving of interest apparent in next accounts. Increased warehouse room is being provided at the wharves. Messrs. W. D. Little and E. C. Pearce take the places of Sir Charles Dudgeon and Mr. J. L. Scott as directors. Mr. Little's place as a Debenture Trustee is taken by Mr. H. A. J. Macrae. The meeting takes place on the 29th inst.

CANCER RESEARCH IN THE COLONIES.

The Blue Book containing the correspondence relating to cancer research in the colonies of Great Britain reached Hongkong by the last mail. As might be expected, seeing that the fund and scheme were started not longer ago than 1902, there is little more in this first report than an account of what was done to secure the co-operation of medical experts and colonial governments all over the world, with the premises or other answers that were received.

One of the first informative answers went Home was from Surgeon William Turner of the Colonial Hospital, Gibraltar, who said:—

"The predisposing causes of cancer, in this part of the world, appear to me to be, in males, excessive tobacco smoking, leading to irritation of the lips and tongue; in females, premature child-bearing and lactation. The Spaniard's cigarette or cigar is never absent from his lips if he can help it, and he allows them to burn so close that the actual fire must frequently char the epibulbar of his mouth. Again, in females, the generative organs come to maturity at a relatively early period as compared with the general development of the frame, and consequently early sexual relations and child-bearing are frequent. This results in undue irritation and injury of the genital tract at a stage when its component tissues are as yet immature, and a condition of cell proliferation is set up which, at some future time, predisposes to cancer formation."

In regard to the incidence of cancer in the lower animals, I can only state that I have but twice met with such instances, once in a bitch's breast, which I amputated for cancer, and again in a cat's lip, which I also amputated for the same disease."

Sir H. A. Blake replied that £30 would be placed annually on the estimates as a donation. The only other reply from Hongkong was an acknowledgment from the Hon. Mr. F. H. May, promising that "every effort will be made to supply specimens of the malignant or pathological growths," and adding that copies of the memorandum had been distributed to all medical officers and to the Hongkong and China branch of the British Medical Association.

Commissioner Lockhart wrote from Weihaiwei, enclosing the following report from Dr. H. J. Hickin:—

"No case of cancer has so far come under my notice. The small number of residents here, and the extreme salubrity of the climate render it unlikely that any case will be brought under notice for some years."

From previous observations in other parts of China, I am of opinion that this country affords a splendid field for its investigation, not only in man but also in dogs. It has one drawback, viz., the impossibility of making post mortem examinations, owing to the extreme horror and dislike of the Chinese to any such procedure.

The medical missionaries, and the surgeons of this Treaty Ports, could furnish much useful information, together with material, if only they could be induced to give the requisite time. A special appeal to them by the Secretary of State for the Colonies and circulated by the Officers Administering the Governments of Hongkong and Weihaiwei would be the most likely means to induce them to co-operate."

Mr. James Hornell, Marine Biologist, of Ceylon, promised to send any instances of pathological growth in the animals he dissected. The Straits Settlements, and most of the other British colonies, promised co-operation.

CORRESPONDENCE.
THE PHILIPPINES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Canton, 21st March.

SIR.—No one who has resided in the Philippines for any length of time, and has studied intelligently the conditions that prevail in the Archipelago, can fail to disagree with many of Mr. All-yn Ireland's conclusions on questions affecting the Islands, and especially with his assertion that the Filipino is no better material for representative government than the Burman, Malay or the Negro.

The fact that during the period intervening between the landing of Aguinaldo at Manila and the outbreak of hostilities between the Americans and the Filipinos, a representative government had been established by the Filipino leader with the unanimous consent of his countrymen, that peace, order and good government prevailed in all the regions over which his administration exercised control, is a sufficient refutation of Mr. Ireland's contention.

The following is an extract of an article written by an American Naval Cadet, L. R. Sargent, recounting his experiences during an extended tour through Northern Luzon in the autumn of 1898. It must be remembered that at the time hostilities had not broken out between the Americans and the Filipinos, and that the Filipino Republic had been in existence for several months.

"The military forces of the United States held control only in Manila with its environs and in Cavite and had no authority (the Filipinos are) to proceed farther, while in the vast remaining districts the representatives of the only other recognized power on the field were prisoners in the hands of their despised subjects. It was the opinion of Manila during this anomalous period in our Philippine relations, and possibly in the United States as well, that such a state of affairs must breed something akin to anarchy. I can state unreservedly, however, that Mr. Wilcox and I found the existing conditions to be much at variance with this opinion. . . . as a tribute to the efficiency of Aguinaldo's government and to the law-abiding character of his subjects, I offer the fact that Mr. Wilcox and I pursued our journey throughout in perfect security, and returned to Manila with only the most pleasant recollections of the quiet and orderly life which we found the natives to be leading under the new regime."

No Malay or negro people could have in the first place idealized such a system of Government. Nor would it have been able, under any conceivable circumstance, to administer it with any degree of success over an area extending from the outskirts of Manila to the northernmost point of Luzon, and to all the adjacent islands except those inhabited by the Moros.

Mr. John Barrett says: "By the middle of October 1898, Aguinaldo had assembled at Malolos a congress of one hundred men who would compare in behavior, manner, dress and education with the average men of the better classes of other Asiatic nations, possibly including the Japanese. These men, whose sessions I repeatedly attended, conducted themselves with great decorum and showed a knowledge of debate and parliamentary law that would not compare unfavorably with the Japanese Parliament."

From the foregoing extracts I think I have adduced sufficient evidence to prove that not only are the Filipinos capable of autonomy, but that they had an established government of their own, and I can bring, if necessary, further proofs to show that they administered justice, preserved order, respected property, and that the people, above all, were happy and contented with the new order of things.

Mr. Ireland apparently bases his arguments on the assumption that all races inhabiting the tropics are incapable of self-government, and that the Filipinos, being a tropical people, must come under the same category. A superficial acquaintance with the character of the natives has led him into this mistake, and the "little brown brother" remains a riddle as mystifying to him as he has been to his readers.

In one essential feature the Filipino differs from every Asiatic people excepting the Japanese. Patriotism is with him a cult—a religion. Search every nipah hut throughout the Islands; in every household you will find an image of the Virgin, and you will also find occupying a place of honour the portrait of Rizal, their murdered patriot, who symbolizes their loftiest ideals, the love of country, and the aspiration for freedom hitherto unattainable.

Co-existent with that aspiration, there is reason to believe that they possess the latent ability to utilize its realization for the good of the country. The Government of the United States with typical magnanimity is determined to give them a "square deal" in the matter of self-government. The result nobody can foresee. Still, for the attainment of this object they have fought the Spaniards again and again, and they have taken up arms against the United States for the vindication of the same principle.

The legitimate wishes of a people who can lay down their lives on the altar of such high ideals cannot be entirely ignored. Spain made this mistake, and she forfeited the allegiance of her wilful subjects; the United States in their early relations with the Filipinos dangled the toy of independence before the dazzled eyes of their new charge, and then withdrew it. A war that lasted for years ensued, and although by sheer force the insurrection has been suppressed, the embers of rebellion are still smouldering.

Mr. Ireland naively refers to the great number of "outlaws" killed or captured by the Philippine Constabulary during recent years, although he attributes this state of lawlessness to causes far different from what I imagine them to be. You may call an "insurrecto" a "ladron" or "outlaw." By

any name he would not smell sweet, but it does not alter the fact that the people have not submitted with good grace to the new régime.

It is not my province to criticize the acts of the American Government, nor to examine the causes of the apparent failure of the United States in governing their new possessions. The root of the evil lies deeper than Mr. Ireland's lance has probed. Nor can I agree with him that the present state of affairs would be improved if America were to profit by the experience of other colonizing powers, and slavishly adopt their methods. Conditions that exist in other tropical countries may be entirely different from those that obtain in the Islands, and measures that are salutary in one may not be applicable in the other. In one respect America has benefited by the experience of a colonizing nation. She has avoided the fatal mistakes that cost Spain her fairest possessions, and has learned that tyranny and oppression are fruitful of disaster.

In conclusion, so far from differing from the policy of the United States in spending enormous sums upon the education of the people, I am of opinion that it is the only policy that will qualify the Filipinos to assume the direction of their own affairs according to American standards, thus paving the way for permanent peace in those lovely but unfortunate Islands.—Yours, etc.

F. MONTALTO DE JESUS.

THE CHINA SUGAR REFINING CO. LTD.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The twenty-seventh annual general meeting of the China Sugar Refining Co. Ltd. was held at noon yesterday, at the offices of the general agents, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Company.

Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson was in the chair and there were also present Sir Paul Chater, Messrs. A. G. Wood, E. Shellin, and A. J. Raymond (Consulting Committee), Mr. J. Barton (Secretary), Messrs. A. Rodger, M. S. Northcote, E. S. Joseph, S. J. Michael, J. R. Michael, E. J. Moses, W. H. Gaskell, H. N. Medy, F. Smyth, W. A. Cruickshank, E. H. Hinds, A. G. Stokes, G. T. Veith, T. S. Forrest, P. C. Potts, A. Turner, Ho Fook and others.

The CHAIRMAN said:—Gentlemen.—In accordance with local custom I propose to take the report and accounts as read. In the year 1904 there was a remarkable advance in the price of sugar all over the world. This rise may be attributed principally to these causes:—(1) the gradual working down of the enormous stocks which have accumulated in the years immediately preceding the date of the Brussels Convention; (2) the discovery that in consequence of the unfavourable weather in Europe it was necessary to materially reduce the estimate of the growing Beet crop; and (3) the knowledge that the world's consumption of sugar was fast overtaking supplies in hand and visible in the near future. Under these circumstances prices in our consuming markets continued to advance, and we were able to obtain a very satisfactory margin of profit on the refining of our stock of raw sugar, which had for the most part been acquired while prices were comparatively low. Another noteworthy feature of our business during the period under review was the demand for refined sugar in China, our natural and best outlet, and I am pleased to say that consumption there showed a considerable increase over that of any previous year. Turning to the accounts, and the appropriation of profit recommended, you will notice that we propose writing \$50,000 off the Siam property, which I regret to say seems likely to remain unremunerative for an indefinite period, and to put aside \$450,000 for an equalization of dividend fund. Bearing in mind the reverses suffered only two years ago, when nearly a third of our capital was for the time being lost, this will, I am sure, meet with your hearty approval.

The experience of recent years also points to the expediency of forming a Repairs and Renewals account. It is obvious that machinery and plant depreciates with use, and that renewals are constantly being required, to meet which in bad times there is often no money available, and it is therefore highly desirable that a fund should be created to provide for the outlay on plant, which must from time to time be necessary, and to enable us to acquire any of the new improvements in machinery which are frequently being brought under our notice. For this purpose we propose to appropriate \$150,000. I have pleasure in testifying to the zeal and diligence of the Company's staff, and as a mark of appreciation you will doubtless confirm the bonus which it is recommended be granted to the European employees (applause). Having materially strengthened the position of the Company, we are also happily able to recommend the payment of a final dividend of \$15 per share, making a total of \$20 per share for the year, and carry forward to next account \$42,812.75 and this, gentlemen, I hope you will consider satisfactory. If no further information be desired, I beg to propose the adoption of the report and accounts.

There being no questions, the CHAIRMAN moved and Mr. MOY seconded, the adoption of the report and accounts. The motion was carried.

Sir Paul Chater, Messrs. A. J. Raymond, A. G. Wood and E. Shellin were re-elected to the Consulting Committee on the motion of Mr. STOKES, seconded by Mr. MICHAEL.

Messrs. T. Arnold and W. H. Potts were re-elected auditors on the motion of Mr. NORTHCOTE, seconded by Mr. POTTS.

The CHAIRMAN—That is all the business, gentlemen. Dividend warrants will be ready on application to-morrow. Thank you for your attendance.

SUPREME COURT.

Thursday, 23rd March.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

BEFORE SIR H. S. BAKERLEY (CHIEF JUSTICE).

The Kam Tak Tai firm was called, but no one responded. Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton appeared for Chan Chun Man, who denied partnership. Mr. F. B. L. Bowley asked karate withdraw from the file a declaration stating that certain persons were partners in the Kam Tak Tai firm. Mr. Brutton withdrew his summons to the chassis being tried with relation to the partners in the firm. An order was made for the declaration to be withdrawn from the file, and also the summons as desired.

Haji Yacobi, a clerk in the employ of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, was examined. He stated that he owed Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist \$2,160, which money he had borrowed to pay off loans contracted. Between 1901 and 1904 he borrowed \$1,200, in order to carry out some private business; and also borrowed several hundred from Indiana. Bankrupt was unmarried and lived in Lascar Road. The fire which occurred there about two years ago destroyed his furniture, which was uninsured. He paid interest on the borrowed money at rate of six to ten per cent. per month—72 to 120 per cent. per annum. His monthly wage was \$80 and his expenses, including interest, were \$200 per month. He supported his aunt, niece and nephew, ten people altogether. He submitted a composition to pay his creditors 50 per cent. at the rate of \$40 per month out of his salary. The Public examination was closed.

Mr. O. D. Thomson appeared on behalf of two managing partners in the Wing On bank and applied for a receiving order against them. A petition was signed by them, Sir William Goodman ruled that the English Bankruptcy law which provided that a number of partners in a firm could not apply for a receiving order without the consent of all the partners was binding. The rule was not included in the Hong Kong Ordinances, though the Chief Justice declined to grant an order as asked, remarking that if any creditor cared to bring an action he could do so. The liabilities of the debtors was \$80,000 odd and their assets \$16,000 odd.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

SCHWEN AND OTHERS V. UFFEL.

This was an application made by the defendant in this action—which was brought by the plaintiffs, who sought an order for the dissolution of the partnership existing between them and the defendant under the name of Schwew Uffel and Company, of which firm the defendant was the managing partner in Hong Kong, the plaintiffs being all resident in Europe—for the discharge of an order made by the Court on the 3rd March instant appointing a Receiver of the said business. The plaintiffs previously offered to allow the defendant to continue in his management of the business of the partnership under the supervision of a chartered accountant in the place of the Receiver originally appointed.

The defendant asked for the complete discharge of the Receiver and objected to a Receiver of the business being appointed.

The Court refused his application and directed that Mr. Lowe, Chartered accountant, be appointed Receiver with power to employ the defendant to assist him in the management if desired. The plaintiffs to give an undertaking as to damages. The Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp K.C., instructed by Messrs. Deacon Looker and Deacon appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. H. E. Pollock K.C., instructed by Messrs. Denny and Bowley appeared for the defendant.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. T. SARGENT SMITH (SUMMARY JUDGE).

The action Yee Woo Cheong firm v. Eastern and Australian Steamship Company, Limited, was adjourned sine die. Evidence was concluded, but counsel have yet to address His Honour. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C., for the defence, is employed in original jurisdiction for the rest of the week.

THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK.

In the financial column of a home paper the following reference to the H. & S. Bank's last report was made:—

Shareholders ought to be satisfied with the excellent return shown by the balance-sheet, seconded, as it is, by the wise intentions of the board in the matter of the reserve fund, and with regard to securing the institution against future contingencies. There can be little doubt that the Russo-Japanese War has brought increased business to the Corporation, and played a very material part in making the present results possible. Calculated on the basis of the dividend, which was £1 10s. in the preceding half-year also, the shares of the Company can be bought to yield about £1 18s. 6d. per cent., a good enough return for those who do not mind the liability which all bank shares entail.

The Central Stores Ltd (Shanghai), owners of the Central Hotel, made a net profit for 1904 including the balance of \$1,253.32 brought forward from last year, of \$12,892.55, and after paying an Interim Dividend of \$120 per share (10 per cent) and allowance made for Bad and Doubtful Debts of \$500, there is a balance of \$5,102.55. Out of this sum the Directors recommend the payment of a Final Dividend of 80 cents per share, making 15 per cent for the year, and leaving a balance of \$1,592.55 to be carried forward to 1905 account.

A QUESTION OF OWNERSHIP.

Mr. Basil Taylor (Assistant Harbour Master and Deputy Superintendent of Police) summoned the Secretary of Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company for using an unlicensed boat for purposes other than for pleasure. Mr. Wilkinson (of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist) appeared for Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company.

Mr. Hazeland (police magistrate, to Mr. Wilkinson)—Do you plead guilty or not guilty?

Mr. Wilkinson—I do not plead. Such a person as the Secretary of Punchard, Lowther and Company does not exist. In the first place I wish to point out that the charge is not an offence under the laws of the Colony, and it seems that it does not charge any person liable under the Shipping Ordinance.

His Worship—I do not like this mode of procedure. You must plead guilty or not guilty.

Mr. Wilkinson—I appear for Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company, who are being constantly worried and harassed by—

His Worship—This is very irregular.

Mr. Wilkinson—Well if I say that no such person as the Secretary of Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company exists, the summons must be dismissed, and the matter will come before you in another form. But we are prepared to assume that the summons is against Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company.

His Worship—That would only be an amendment.

Mr. Wilkinson—We say that Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company are not liable under the Ordinance, and no one is charged with the offence. Assuming that the summons is against the partners of Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company it charges no one with any offence recognised by the laws of this Colony, and the partners are not persons liable under the provisions of the Ordinance to be prosecuted.

Mr. Taylor—I think the defendants will allow that there is no question about the desirability of having these boats licensed. The only point raised will be the question of ownership.

Mr. Wilkinson—I think I could get your Worship to dismiss this case in a few minutes, but I do not wish it to come before you in another form. What we want is to have done with it.

His Worship—This is very irregular. Mr. Taylor, you should put some name in the summons. You say the Secretary; are you prepared to prove that the Secretary used this boat.

Mr. Taylor—As a matter of fact, I am not responsible for this summons. It was not made out by me.

His Worship—Well some one must be responsible; you must either say you are responsible or not.

Mr. Taylor—I was under the opinion that the summons was against the firm.

Mr. Wilkinson—Put anyone to save time.

His Worship—The onus is on you Mr. Taylor to prove that Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company used the boat. You say the Secretary used the boat.

Mr. Taylor—I understand that there is no such person.

His Worship—Well, you appear now in the capacity of a witness. You can apply for an amendment. I think the best thing in these cases is not to object to the firm being summoned, and then you can put forward as a witness any member of the firm.

Mr. Wilkinson—I consent to an amendment to that effect.

His Worship—If you plead not guilty the onus is on the prosecution to prove that you did use the boat without a license.

Mr. Wilkinson—I plead not guilty to any offence, but to assist my friend, who is not prepared to prove his case now, I will make admissions.

His Worship—I do not understand how you can.

Mr. Wilkinson—By arrangement with my friend.

His Worship—No arrangement with your friend concerns me.

Mr. Taylor called as a witness Mr. A. J. Williams, the general agent for Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company. He said:—We are in the habit of using cargo boats without licenses. These boats belong to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

Mr. Taylor—Who paid for them?

Mr. Wilkinson—I object.

Mr. Taylor—I think I have a right to put that question.

His Worship—All right, and I shall regard him as a hostile witness.

Witness—Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company paid for them.

Mr. Taylor—When the work is finished to whom will the lights belong?

Witness—To Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company.

Mr. Taylor—Without payment to the Admiralty?

Witness—That question must not be answered till the forms of contract are wound up.

Witness continuing—Three weeks ago I saw you on behalf of Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company. I recollect the conversation. I complained that our junk men were molested without previous warning, and that the police were going on board the boats. I did not tell you that if

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Warning had been given I would have taken out licenses. I swear it. I did not tell you that these cargo boats had the name of the firm painted on them.

Cross-examined—These boats were purchased especially for the work of building the Admiralty Dock. They have never been used for any purpose other than the Admiralty. The firm of Punchard, Lowther and Company do only Admiralty contracts in this Colony.

Mr. Taylor—I admit theoretically that these boats do belong to the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty.

Mr. Wilkinson—All plant, appliances and everything used for the purposes of the Admiralty contract, under the contract, are absolute property of the Admiralty.

Cross-examined—The defendant firm were desirous that licenses should be obtained to avoid further trouble, but the Admiralty superintendent said he could not consent to the clause being altered—he had not the authority to enable the firm to become the owners of the lights.

Mr. Wilkinson—The lights were purchased by Messrs. Punchard, Lowther and Company, as servants of the Admiralty. Re-examined—The firm's name is not on the lights and never was.

His Worship, (to Mr. Taylor)—Do you deny that boats come within the word "plant" in the Admiralty contract?

Mr. Taylor—No, I admit that theoretically the boats are the property of the Admiralty.

Mr. Wilkinson—This summons charged him with "using." There is nothing in the Ordinance with reference to that. The law requires a dog to be licensed, but it is no offence to "use" a sporting dog which has not been licensed. My clients are desirous not to have any trouble with the Government. They would not be permitted by the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty to make an application for a license; and this rule was never intended to apply to any department of the Imperial Government. My friend is quite right to desire to have this matter threshed out. The only vessels exempt by the Ordinance are H.M. ships of war, and the ships of war of friendly nations, but the question is whether the rule was ever intended to apply to such craft. The regulation requires boats to go to certain anchorage, and these boats could not possibly do that. Army Ordinance, boats are not licensed, nor are the boats used for taking coal to war ships. The Harbour Master, under the regulations, has ample control over these boats without them being licensed. We most certainly have not committed any offence, and if we have we are absolutely powerless.

In conclusion His Worship said:—I will look through the Ordinance and see if the defendants have committed any offence. I adjourn the summons sine die.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN, LIMITED.

The following statement, dated December 31st 1904, is published:—

ASSETS.	Yen.
Government loan	3,351,600,000
U.S. loan, 4 per cent, 1905, etc.	6,197,765,630
Bills receivable and other sums due to the bank	315,718,550
Government bonds	2,096,400,000
Reserve fund	45,000,000
Ballion and foreign money	2,509,000,000
Capital, unallocated	483,029,823
Bank premises and properties	483,029,823
Cash	3,075,225,010
In hand	443,559,810
At bankers	Yen 20,145,469,181

LIABILITIES.

Yen.
5,501,245,120
2,096,400,000
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Notes in circulation 5,501,245,120
Government account 2,096,400,000
Deposits and current account 6,197,765,630
Bills payable and other sums due by the bank 315,718,550
Capital, authorized 2,096,400,000
Reserve fund 45,000,000
Reserve for silver account 131,373,750
Dividends unclaimed 355,305
Amount brought forward from last account 4,741,594
Net profit 178,301,855
Yen 20,145,469,181

A JUDGE ON WOMEN'S DRESS.

The innocence of Judges is proverbial. In an action brought in a London County Court recently by a firm of drapers and milliners against a lady to recover a sum of money for goods, the Judge commented:—Can a stole be a "necessary" for a woman? Can a sunshade? Can lace and gloves at 1s. 11½d. a pair? (Laughter.) These are all mere extravagances. Here is £1 10s. 11½d. for a woman's hat. (Lord Laughter.) Surely for 7s. 6d. she could get a hat which would fascinate all the neighbourhood. All these articles are not dress, but superstructures on dress. She must have been provided with necessary dress, or she would not have put on gloves and a sunshade. (Laughter.)

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:—On the 23rd at 12.10 p.m. The barometer has risen in N.E. Japan, and fallen in S.W. Japan. An area of high pressure covers E. Japan and a shallow area of low pressure lies over S.W. Japan.

Pressure apparently continues high over N. China. Gradients are moderate on the China coast and fresh monsoon will probably prevail in the Formosa Channel and N. part of the China Sea. Forecast:—Fresh to moderate E. winds; cloudy, some rain.

Returns from N. China are lacking.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

NOTICE.

WE have This Day authorized Mr. A. B. BOHUSZEWICZ to Sign our Firm and Mr. G. BINDER to Sign our Firm per Procuration.

CARLOWITZ & CO.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1905.

NOTICE.

THE Business carried on at No. 25, Hollywood Road, Hongkong, under the name and style of JEEJEHBOY & CO., has been sold to the Manager, DHUNJISHAW RUSTOMJI CAPTAIN, as from the 1st January, 1905, on which date, all the interest and responsibility in the said business of DHUNJISHAW JEEJEHBOY VASANIA, or of any as his Executor, ceased, and determined. All accounts owing to the Firm are to be paid to and all outstanding liabilities are to be met by DHUNJISHAW RUSTOMJI CAPTAIN.

P. J. VASANIA.
Executor of the will of the late Dhunjishaw Jeejebhoy Vasanias deceased. Sole Proprietor of the said business.

With reference to the above notice, I have purchased the business, JEEJEHBOY & CO., as from the 1st January, 1905, and as Sole Proprietor I shall continue to carry it on under the same style of JEEJEHBOY & CO.

D. R. CAPTAIN.
Hongkong, 17th March, 1905.

SITUATION WANTED.

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A. B. C.
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1905.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on MONDAY, the 27th March, 1905, at 2.30 P.M., at his Sales Rooms, Queen's Road, A FINE ASSORTMENT OF JAPANESE CURIOS, Comprising:—

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TERMS OF SALE:—As Customary.
V. I. REMEDIOS,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1905.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from the OFFICIAL RECEIVER IN BANKRUPTCY, to sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY, the 27th March, 1905, at 11 A.M., at their Sales Rooms, No. 8, Des Vaux Road (Corner of Lee Street), 45 Cases HENNESSY'S COGNAC (1 & 2 and 3 Stars), 17 Cases ROBERT CRAWFORD & CO'S OLD SCOTCH WHISKY, 11 Cases HOCK; 15 Cases CLUB'S and CABINET WHISKY; 4 Cases BORD & SON'S GIN; 19 Cases CHERRY CORDIAL, &c., &c.

Also a few Cases of TINNED PROVISIONS. TERMS:—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1905.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, FOR ACCOUNT OF THE CONCERNED, on TUESDAY, the 28th March, 1905, at 11 A.M., at Sam Yick Coal Storage Yard, Mongkok, 200 TONS OF GOOD LUMP MOIT COAL, (in Good Order and Condition), in Lots of 100 Tons each.

TERMS:—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH,
Auctioneers.
Hongkong, 16th March, 1905.

FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE China Mutual Steamship "TEENKAL" Captain Harris, will be despatched for the above ports on SUNDAY, the 26th inst., at DAYLIGHT. For Freight, apply to NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd March, 1905.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

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INTIMATIONS

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG SCHOOLS' SPORTS will be held at the RACE COURSE, Happy Valley, on MONDAY, March 27th, Hongkong, 23rd March, 1905.

HONGKONG FOOTBALL CLUB.

THE ANNUAL DINNER will be held in the HONGKONG HOTEL on SATURDAY, 1st APRIL, at 8 o'clock. Members wishing to be present are requested to communicate with

R. H. CROFTON, Hon. Secretary, Hongkong Club, 22nd March, 1905.

HONGKONG CHESS CLUB.

A KNOCK-OUT HANDICAP TOURNAMENT is to be held. Entries, which must be accompanied by \$1 Entrance Fee, Close to the undersigned on the 31st March.

THOMAS SWABY, Hon. Secretary, Care of Daily Press Office, Hongkong, 18th March, 1905.

HONGKONG CLUB.

THE SEVENTH DRAWING OF SIXTY-FIVE DEBENTURES of the Hongkong Club, \$100 each, was held in the Hongkong Club House, on SATURDAY, the 18th inst., when the following Debentures were drawn for redemption:

By Order, C. H. GRACE, Secretary.

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Hongkong, 23rd March, 1905.

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT. Performances will be given on MONDAY AND TUESDAY NEXT, MARCH 27th and 28th.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

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TERMS:—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH, Government Auctioneers, Hongkong, 23rd March, 1905.

PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned has received instructions from C. A. TOMES, Esq., to sell by Public Auction, on

MONDAY, the 27th March, 1905, at 10 P.M., within his residence, No. 2, Gough Hill, The Peak, THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Comprising:— SILK TAPESTRY COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE, TEAKWOOD OVEN-MANTELS with BEVELED GLASS, CANTON BLACKWOOD WARE, TEAKWOOD EXTENSION DINING TABLE, CHAIRS, BRUSSELS and TIENTIN CARPETS and RUGS, SHANGHAI CURTAINS, BRASS BEDSTEADS with WIRE and HAIR MATTRESSES, PICTURES, TEAKWOOD WARDROBES with BEVELED GLASS, MARBLE-TOP WASHSTANDS, MARBLE BATH TUBS, &c., &c.

Also, AN AMERICAN MARBLE REFRIGERATOR, and One COTTAGE PIANO by M.F. Rachals & Co., Hamburg, (in Good Order and Condition). Catalogues will be issued.

TERMS:—As usual.
HUGHES & HOUGH, Auctioneers, Hongkong, 22nd March, 1905.

PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY, the 28th March, 1905, commencing at 2.45 P.M., at No. 17, Seymour Road, A QUANTITY OF VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Comprising:— HATSTAND with BEVELED MIRROR, MARBLE-TOP SIDEBOARD with MIRROR, DINNER WAGON, EXTENSION DINING TABLE, LEATHER COVERED DINING CHAIRS, OVEN-MANTELS, DINNER SET, CARPETS, and PICTURES, MOUNTED IRON BEDSTEADS, MARBLE-TOP BUREAU with BEVELED MIRROR, MARBLE-TOP WASHSTAND with TILED BACK, TOILET SETS, WARDROBES, &c., &c.

Also, AMERICAN ICE CHEST and PANTRY REQUISITES, BATHROOM and KITCHEN REQUISITES.

A Few Pieces of FINELY CARVED CANTON BLACKWOOD WARE; Also, One RAMBLER BICYCLE in good condition.

TERMS:—As Customary. On View from Monday, the 27th March, 1905. GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer, Hongkong, 22nd March, 1905.

PUBLIC AUCTION. THE Undersigned has received instructions from Pastor Th. KRIEHL, to sell by Public Auction, on

WEDNESDAY, the 29th March, 1905, commencing at 2.45 P.M., at his residence "FAIRVIEW," Robinson Road, Kowloon, THE WHOLE OF HIS VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE.

Comprising:— PLUSH COVERED DRAWING ROOM SUITE, TABLES, LACE CURTAINS, CARPETS, B. BOOKCASES, &c., &c.; EXTENSION DINING TABLE, DINNER WAGGONS, WRITING DESK, OVERMANTLES, &c., &c.; BRASS MOUNTED BEDSTEADS, BRASS MOUNTED COT, WARDROBES with BEVELED MIRROR, TOILET TABLES, MARBLE TOP WASHSTANDS with TILED BACK, LEATHER COVERED BEDROOM SUITE, &c., &c.; BATHROOM, PANTRY and KITCHEN REQUISITES; and One COTTAGE PIANO, by W. Robinson & Co.

TERMS:—As Customary. On View from Tuesday, the 28th March, 1905. GEO. P. LAMBERT, Auctioneer, Hongkong, 23rd March, 1905.

CONTRABAND OF WAR. A JUDGMENT delivered by SIR HENRY S. BERKELEY, Chief Justice of Hongkong, in the case of OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA v. OWNERS of the S.S. "PROMETHEUS".

Together with the FINDINGS of Mr. E. A. HEWITT (Superintendent of the P. & O. Steam Navigation Company) in the ARBITRATION. Re-issued in PAMPHLET FORM. Copies 50 cents each may be obtained at the Office of the Hongkong Daily Press, Hongkong, Hongkong, 11th March, 1905.

WANTED. A FIRST-CLASS HOUSE BOY. Apply— 24, Hongkong, 22nd March, 1905.

WANTED. PRIVATE LESSONS given in Pitman's Shorthand. Terms moderate. Apply by letter to— "J. W." P. O. Box 143, Hongkong, 10th January, 1905.

WANTED. RUINART PERE & FILS, REIMS. Established 1719, CHAMPAGNE WINE MERCHANTS and SHIPPERS. Ship only the Finest Quality Extra Dry (Grand Sec) LAURE, WEGENER & CO., Sole Agents. Hongkong, 18th May, 1903.

PUBLIC COMPANIES

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, St. George's Building, No. 5, Connaught Road, Victoria, TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 25th March, 1905, at 11 A.M. for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Wednesday, the 22nd March to Saturday, the 25th March, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers, Hongkong, 10th March, 1905.

GEO. FENWICK AND COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Victoria, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 31st day of March, 1905, at Noon, when the Subjuncted Resolution which was passed at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company held on the 11th March, 1905, will be submitted for confirmation as a Special Resolution:—

"That Article X of the Company's Articles of Association and its marginal notes be and the same are hereby cancelled and that there be substituted therefor the following Article and marginal notes namely

Power to X. The Company in General Meeting may from time to time increase the capital by the creation of new shares of such amount as may be deemed expedient.

2. The new shares shall be issued upon such terms and conditions and with such rights and privileges annexed thereto as the General Meeting resolving upon the creation thereof shall direct and if no direction be given as the Directors shall determine.

3. Subject to any direction to the contrary that may be given by the Meeting that sanctions the increase of capital all new shares shall be offered to the parties who on a date to be named by the Meeting shall be members in proportion to the existing shares held by them and such offer shall be made by notice specifying the number of shares to which the Member is entitled and the limiting a time within which the offer if not accepted will be deemed to be declined and after the expiration of such time or on the receipt of an intimation from the Member to whom such notice is given that he declines to accept the shares offered the Directors may dispose of the same in such manner as they think most beneficial to the Company.

4. Except so far as is otherwise provided by the conditions of issue or by three presents any capital raised by the creation of new shares shall be considered part of the original ordinary capital and shall be subject to the provisions herein contained with reference to the payment of calls and instalments and the transmission of forfeited shares and otherwise."

By Order of the Board of Directors, W. G. WINTERBURN, General Manager, Hongkong, 15th March, 1905.

WATKINS LIMITED. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 31, Queen's Road Central, on FRIDAY, the 31st March, 1905, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of accounts, and for the election of the General Managers with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1904.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 24th to the 31st March, both days inclusive.

CH. A. POOK, G. A. WATKINS, General Managers, Hongkong, 14th March, 1905.

CAMPBELL, MOORE & CO., LD. NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 29, Queen's Road Central, on FRIDAY, the 31st March, 1905, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of accounts, and for the election of the General Managers with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1904.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st March, both days inclusive.

By Order, M. A. A. SOUZA, Secretary, Hongkong, 15th March, 1905.

WANTED. A ASSISTANT. Apply to— ROBINSON PIANO CO., LD. Hongkong, 8th March, 1905.

WANTED. FIRST-CLASS HOUSE BOY. Apply— 24, Hongkong, 22nd March, 1905.

WANTED. PRIVATE LESSONS given in Pitman's Shorthand. Terms moderate. Apply by letter to— "J. W." P. O. Box 143, Hongkong, 10th January, 1905.

WANTED. RUINART PERE & FILS, REIMS. Established 1719, CHAMPAGNE WINE MERCHANTS and SHIPPERS. Ship only the Finest Quality Extra Dry (Grand Sec) LAURE, WEGENER & CO., Sole Agents. Hongkong, 18th May, 1903.

INSURANCES

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE INSURANCE CO. OF AIX-LE-CHAPPEL.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO., Agents, Hongkong, 21st April, 1897.

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE TIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1903, 216,883,650.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £3,000,000. SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, 2,750,000. PAID-UP CAPITAL, 687,500. II. FIRE FUNDS, 3,656,961 12 3.

The Undersigned AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., Agents, Hongkong, 18th June, 1904.

THE WESTERN ASSURANCE COMPANY OF TORONTO AND LONDON. INCORPORATED A.D. 1851.

MARINE BRANCH. THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to accept Risks against Fire at current rates.

ALEX. ROSS & CO., Agents, Hongkong, 28th April, 1904.

L'UNION OF PARIS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS for the above Company are prepared to accept Risks against Fire at current rates.

SIEMSEN & CO., Agents, Hongkong, 1st January, 1904.

PURE FRESH WATER. THE HONGKONG STEAM WATER-BOAT CO., LD., is prepared to supply ANY QUANTITY OF PURE FRESH WATER to the Shipping, both for Deck and Boilers.

Call Flag W. J. W. KEW, Manager, 1st Floor, 37, Connaught Road, Hongkong, 13th June, 1903.

MAIL TABLES FOR 1905. Showing the dates of departure of the Mails to Europe and America, and the dates of their expected arrival at their destinations, as well as the dates of departure of the Mails from Europe and America and the dates on which they are due to reach Hongkong. A Special Table is devoted to the Parcels Post to and from England.

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On Sale at the Hongkong Daily Press Office, Hongkong, 10th February, 1905.

BANKS. THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL, £1,500,000. SUBSCRIBED, 1,125,000. PAID-UP, 582,500. RESERVE FUND, 80,000.

BANKERS: LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LIMITED. INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2 1/2, per annum on the Daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits:— For 12 months, 4 1/2. " 6 " 3 1/2. " 3 " 2 1/2. " 1 " 1 1/2. EVAN ORMISTON, Manager, Hongkong, 23rd May, 1903.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA. INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1855. HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP, £800,000. RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHAREHOLDERS, £800,000. RESERVE FUND, £800,000.

INTEREST allowed on Current Accounts at the rate of 2 1/2, per annum on the Daily balance. On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4 per cent. " 6 " 3 1/2. " 3 " 2 1/2. " 1 " 1 1/2. T. P. COCHRANE, Manager, Hongkong, 19th May, 1904.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. PAID-UP CAPITAL, £10,000,000. RESERVE FUND, £10,000,000. SILVER RESERVE, £10,000,000. RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS, £10,000,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS: H. E. TOMKINS, Esq., Chairman. H. W. SLADE, Esq., Deputy Chairman. E. G. GOS, Esq., Hon. W. J. GREGSON, Esq., Hon. A. HUNT, Esq., G. H. MEDHURST, Esq., A. J. RAYMOND, Esq.

CHIEF MANAGER: Hongkong—J. E. M. SMITH. MANAGER: Shanghai—H. M. BEVIS. LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED. On Current Account at the rate of Two per Cent. per annum on the daily balance. OF FIXED DEPOSITS: For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per annum. For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per annum. For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum. J. E. M. SMITH, Chief Manager, Hongkong, 20th March, 1905.

BANKS

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA

ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1898.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, Shanghai Tin 5,000,000 PAID-UP CAPITAL " 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI. BRANCHES AND AGENCIES: Canton, Chefoo, Hankow, Tientsin, Peking, Penang, Singapore.

HONGKONG BRANCH. The Bank purchases and receives for collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above place, and sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers payable at its Branches and Agencies.

Advances made on approved securities. Bills Discounted. INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS: At 2 1/2 per annum on Current Account daily balances. 3 1/2, per annum on Fixed Deposits for 3 months. 4 1/2, " " " 6 " " " " 5 1/2, " " " 12 " " " " E. W. RUTTER, Manager, Hongkong, 17th May, 1904.

THE BANK OF TAIWAN LIMITED. (INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER) CAPITAL (SUBSCRIBED) Yen 5,000,000 CAPITAL PAID-UP " 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE: TAIPEI, FORMOSA. BRANCHES AND AGENCIES: Amoy, Anping, Fochow, Keelung, Kobe, Nagasaki, Osaka, Shanghai, Yokohama.

HONGKONG OFFICE: 4, QUEEN'S ROAD. Interest allowed on Current Account. Deposits received on terms which may be learned on application.

S. SHIGEMASA, Manager, Hongkong, 1st November, 1904.

YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED. ESTABLISHED 1860.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 24,000,000 CAPITAL PAID-UP " 18,000,000 CAPITAL UNPAID " 6,000,000 RESERVE FUND, " 9,520,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA. BRANCHES AND AGENCIES: Tokyo, Kobe, Nagasaki, Yokohama, San Francisco, Honolulu, Bombay, Shanghai, Tientsin, Newchwang, Dairen, Peking, Lianyung.

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HOCKS.	
LAUBENHEIMER...	Per Case Quarts \$14.40
GRAACHER	15.00
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N.B.—All our Wines and Spirits are Bottled at Home, thereby ensuring to our Customers all the advantages accruing from bottling done at home under the direct supervision of the Growers and Distillers, as compared to bottling done in China by Chinamen at the service of European Houses.

TO LET

SUITABLE for Offices, TWO ROOMS in Prince's Buildings.
Apply to—**LAUTS, WEGENER & CO.**
Hongkong, 4th March, 1905. [61]

A LARGE and SPACIOUS ROOM or OFFICE on the First Floor of No. 31, Queen's Road Central. Possession from 1st April, 1905.
For particulars, please apply to—**WONG CHU SANG,**
Care of Yee Sang Fat,
Opposite the Post Office.
Hongkong, 7th March, 1905. [635]

A WELL FURNISHED SIX ROOMED HOUSE, Excellent situation, Garden, Tennis Court and Swimming Bath.
Apply to—**H. HUMPHREYS,**
Hongkong, 18th February, 1905. [492]

OFFICE ROOMS at Nos. 12 & 14, Queen's Road Central (Corner House), also GODOWNS at Back. Can be let separately or wholly. Rent moderate, cheaper if the whole is taken on a long lease.
SEVEN EUROPEAN HOUSES, late F. Blackhead & Co. and Shewan, Tomes & Co.'s Offices. Ground Floors and Top Floors with Godowns can be let separately on lease.
Apply to—**CHUNG SHUN KOO,**
12 & 14, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 24th December, 1904. [92]

OFFICES in "Hotel Mansions," facing New Post Office and Hongkong Hotel.
Apply to—**HENRY HUMPHREYS,**
Alexandra Buildings.
Hongkong, 7th January, 1905. [180]

NO. 1, RIFON TERRACE.
A HOUSE in WONG-NEI-CHONG ROAD, facing Race-course.
FLATS in MORTON TERRACE, facing the Polo Ground.
OFFICES in course of erection, CONNAUGHT ROAD (near Black's Place).
GODOWNS: PRATA EAST.
A BUILDING at Gateway Bay, at present in occupation of the Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.
Apply to—**THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.**
Hongkong, 29th June, 1904. [181]

BYRIE, Unfurnished. Newly repaired, No. 7, BELLIOS TERRACE, 1st Row.
No. 11, " " 3rd Row.
No. 19, " " 3rd Row.
No. 20, " " 3rd Row.
NO. 1, DES VŒUX VILLAS, BUNGALOW (Furnished), at New Territory, Kowloon, 4 Rooms low rental.
"KELLET CREST" (Furnished), Peak, for 2 1/2 months from 15th April to 30th June, 1905.
2ND FLOOR in Central position, containing Four Large Rooms, Anteroom and Lavatory, &c., with use of Electric Lift. Well suited for Offices.
Apply to—**LINSTEAD & DAVIS,**
3rd Floor, Alexandra Buildings.
Hongkong, 20th January, 1905. [90]

DETACHED HOUSE in Robinson Road, Kowloon.
Apply to—**HENRY HUMPHREYS,**
or
HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LD.
Hongkong, 25th February, 1905. [539]

TWO SQUARE ROOMS in the Connaught House Hotel, suitable for Offices.
Also ONE STALL on the Ground Floor.
Apply in person at **HOTEL OFFICE.**
Hongkong, 21st March, 1905. [764]

NOS. 74, CAINE ROAD.
GODOWNS Nos. 34a, 34b, 34c, Praya East.
Apply to—**COMPRADORE'S DEPARTMENT,**
Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1905. [84]

NEW "KINGSCLERE" with Stables, entrances in both Kennedy and Macdonnell Roads.
For full particulars, apply to—**LINSTEAD & DAVIS,**
Alexandra Buildings, 3rd Floor.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1905. [478]

TO LET

A DESIRABLE FLAT of 2 Unfurnished Rooms on Caine Road Level, with Bath-room, Verandah, and a Fine View of the Harbour. Apply to—**W. W. W.,**
Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1905. [765]

NO. 1, STEWART TERRACE, the Peak.
Apply to—**THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LD.**
Hongkong, 28th March, 1904. [8]

NEW STORE nearing completion to let in Chater Road, opposite Hongkong Hotel, area about 3,000 square feet.
Apply to—**Care of Daily Press Office.**
Hongkong, 18th March, 1905. [748]

FINE BUILDING SITES for Sale in Waglan Road; also GODOWN to let.
Apply to—**THE ROBINSON PIANO CO., LD.**
Hongkong, 10th February, 1905. [272]

HOUSE in CLIFTON GARDENS, Connaught Road, from 1st July, 1905.
Apply to—**THE MEDICAL HALL,**
Hongkong, 14th March, 1905. [692]

FOUR or FIVE OFFICE ROOMS on First Floor of "Hotel Mansions" facing the New Post Office and Hongkong Hotel.
Apply to—**Care of Daily Press Office.**
Hongkong, 9th March, 1905. [675]

FURNISHED, THE CASTLE.
For particulars, apply to—**GEO. K. HALL BRUTON,**
39 & 41, Des Voeux Road.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1905. [777]

TWO FIRST-CLASS SHOPS, European Style, in Kowloon. Possession on or about 31st August, 1905. Moderate Rentals.
Apply to—**HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE CO., LD.**
Hongkong, 21st June, 1904. [97]

CANTON DISTRICT, No. 71.
LOCAL NOTICE TO MARINERS

REMOVAL WORK at CANTON RIVER BARRIERS; PRECAUTIONS TO BE OBSERVED BY PASSING VESSELS.

REFERRING to Notice to Mariners No. 67, Notice is hereby given that the signals contained therein are annulled and that in future Warning and Danger signals in connection with removal work at the Barriers will be made as follows:—

A RED FLAG hoisted on a junk, steam launch or other craft in the neighbourhood of the Iron and Bridge Barriers, indicates a craft with high explosives on board.
TWO BLACK SPIRITERS hoisted on a junk in the vicinity of any of the Barriers, indicates that danger would be caused to life and property by the wash of steamers.
This signal will be hoisted when a diver is down, when explosives are laid, or when a junk is so fast to the bottom or to piles, as to render the wash of a steamer dangerous.

Vessels approaching the Barriers should keep a careful look-out for this signal, and, if hoisted, slow down at a sufficient distance to prevent her wash reaching the boat at work, and proceed dead slow until well past.

If owing to any reason it is unsafe for a vessel to pass the Iron Barrier, a RED TRIANGULAR SHAPE 6 feet in height, will be hoisted on a staff at the Barrier light hut. A vessel seeing this signal should on no account attempt to pass.
J. HOWELL MAY,
Harbour Master.

SCIENTIFIC MISCELLANY.

A POSSIBLE CURATIVE AGENT IN MINERAL WATER—THE NEW HOT BOTTLE—CARBONIC ACID PLANT FORCING—POWER FROM REFUSE—STONE-LIKE PLANTS—JURY FROM LIGHTS—A SIDE INDUSTRY—BUTTERED MILK—PLANTAIN FLOUR.

The presence of radium emanation in the gases of mineral springs has suggested a possible explanation of obscure points in the action of mineral waters on the human system. How widely distributed this element may be is difficult to determine, but eminent chemists have recently found in quite a number of springs indications of helium, the gas into which the radium emanation seems to change. Like results are now reported by Charles Mourou, of Paris, from an investigation of twelve other radium-active springs of France and Austria. In the analyses, the gases of these springs were separated into carbonic acid, oxygen, nitrogen, and a residue containing argon, helium, and other rare elements. This last portion or residue formed from 0.50 to 2.00 per cent of the total gases of the different springs. The range noted in radium activity was very great, the spring at the top of the list being fifty times as active as the one at the bottom.

The up-to-date hot-water bottle lacks the water. In its place are coils of fine wire, and when the bottle is connected with the plug in an electric lighting fixture, the current heats these coils to the desired temperature, which is maintained as long as needed. The advantages are obvious. The bottle is neither too warm nor too cold, it does not leak, and it promptly gives the proper heat without waiting for water to boil.

Keeping one lot of plants for two months in an atmosphere containing five times the normal proportion of carbonic acid, and another lot in ordinary air, E. Demoussy has shown an average increase of growth due to the carbonic acid of 60 per cent. The plants included lettuce, tobacco, castor, geranium and mint, only fuchsia showing no increase.

In our industrial age the discovery of an abundant fuel source is a public blessing. The experiments of S. Bordenave have been making in France indicate that the great quantities of refuse vegetable matter produced on farms may be economically used for making gas to run small farm motors, and that it is even practicable to make regular annual crops of fuel a profitable industry. He has tested dead leaves, straw hay, and other substances. The material was compressed into bales for convenient handling, and the cost of one horse power per hour was found to range from about four fifths of a cent with leaves and low-grade hay to one cent with oat straw and a cent and a half with hay of average quality.

What seems to be true mimicry in plants has been pointed out in South Africa by Dr. R. Marloth. Of four singular species belonging to the genus Mesembrianthemum, two resemble both in form and colour the quartz pebbles among which they grow, and the others have one or two leaves about the size of a duck's egg, with a surface like weathered stone and a stone-like brownish gray colour tinged with green. At least two of these species do not change their characters under cultivation. A species of the genus Anacampsis has leaves covered with white papery stipules, and also resembles the surrounding quartz pebbles.

The injurious effects of light on the eyes are found to increase with the number of ultra-violet or chemical rays contained. This is the conclusion of Dr. A. Störck, of Basel, who shows that petroleum is the least harmful light, and is followed in order by gaslight, electric light, incandescent gaslight and acetylene, the last named being most harmful. Thick coloured glass—gray-yellow, red or green—lessens the injurious rays.

When the newest English "penny-in-the-slot" apparatus receives a coin, a music box at a distance, as in another room, begins to play, being operated by wireless telegraphy.

Acetylene black, a fine quality of carbon or black pigment, is obtained as a by-product at Polignac, in Italy, by an interesting process lately described by H. Becker. The residue from purifying crude sugar by the baryta process—that is, by treatment with barium hydroxide and then with carbonic acid—consists of moist barium carbonate, and this is fed with carbon into an electric furnace, where it is converted into barium carbide. The carbon monoxide evolved is burnt, the heat evolved being used to dry the raw materials. The carbide produced is at once decomposed with water so as to obtain barium hydroxide, and the acetylene liberated is made by imperfect combustion to deposit its carbon.

The ingenious adulteration lately detected by a French chemist consists in the addition to poor or skimmed milk of cheap fats—such as coconut butter or pork dripping—and thus bringing the proportion of fatty matter up to the standard required by the inspectors. The foreign fat, which may be dissolved out by benzine without affecting the natural fat, is apparent when a clean glass is dipped into the milk; imperfect emulsification produces small granules that adhere to the rod.

Banharina, the new flour of fine quality from the plantain, is reported to have proven an agreeable and healthful food. In Venezuela, where it seems to be gaining favour, it is especially recommended as a nutritious food for children and invalids.

Mice exposed to radium for twenty days, in the experiments of Dr. Ruz of Paris, lost their hair, and when the hair grew again it was quite white. Longer exposure developed muscular paralysis.

In calcium carbide cartridges for mining, a membrane separates the carbide from the water. The membrane is ruptured electrically, and five minutes later the gas generated is exploded by another electric spark.

HIRANO WATER.

THE QUEEN OF TABLE WATERS.
PURE, SPARKLING, INVIGORATING.

THE LEADING MINERAL WATER OF THE EAST.
Bottled in Japan by H. E. REYNELL & Co.

Beware of JAPANESE IMITATIONS.
F. BLACKHEAD & CO., AGENTS.
Hongkong, 31st July, 1903. [36]

THE HON. E. H. CONGER AT NAGASAKI.

In the course of a brief interview on Thursday afternoon at the Nagasaki Hotel, Mr. Conger, the American Minister to China, told a representative of the *Nagasaki Press*, that he was having a short holiday from Peking. He proceeded to the Philippines from Shanghai and spent twelve days in making a tour of the islands, a delightful change from official telegrams and official correspondence. In reply to a question as to the present condition of the Philippines, he said that it was most favourable and that he considered the American administration had materially advanced the prosperity of the people. The rate of progress had been apparently slow but the difficulties to be overcome were very great and in the future the country would advance more quickly. Mr. Conger commented upon the great advantages which will be derived from the making of the railroads recently sanctioned by Congress, also upon the new harbour works at Manila which will be completed this year and, in his opinion, will make the harbour unsurpassed throughout the Orient. Particular mention was made of the Government schools throughout the islands the system in vogue and the results attained being most commendable. Mr. Conger stated that the fact that a large percentage of the population are savages and that, in consequence, the treatment of the Moros is largely experimental, makes the administration of the country a very serious undertaking. Speaking of the Chinese Government, Mr. Conger said that he was convinced that they were maintaining their neutrality with admirable skill and excellent judgment. Their position is a most difficult one but their conduct throughout has been absolutely correct and had afforded no reason for doubting their sincerity. The people of Manchuria are suffering most acutely through the war operations and the Government are doing their utmost to alleviate the distress.

GARRISON ORDERS.

HEAD QUARTERS.
HONGKONG, 23rd March, 1905.
GARRISON ORDERS—GUN PRACTICE.—No. 1. With reference to Garrison Order No. 1 of 14th instant, the Gun Practice therein ordered to take place at Sywan and Pakshawan will commence at 9 a.m. instead of 9.3 a.m. Launch will leave Kowloon Police Pier at 8 a.m. and Murray Pier at 8.15 a.m.
Leave—No. 2. Leave of absence on private affairs to the neighbouring countries has been granted to Captain F. J. Lein, 2nd Royal West Kent Regt. from 25th April to 21st May, 1905.
Appointments.—No. 3. Lieut. L. H. Branson will be officiating Quarter Master 110th Mahatras Light Infantry in addition to his own duties as Double Company Officer from the 7th March, 1905 vice Lieutenant C. H. Mowbray proceeded on leave on Medical Certificate.
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Hongkong, 19th March, 1905. [760]

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No Fire Insurance has been effected. L. BRIDOU, Acting Agent.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1905. [2]

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Hongkong, 22nd March, 1905. [13]

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

GRANVILLE, British ship, 1,334 R.S. Pentney, 23rd Mar.—Straits 11th Mar. General.—Chinese.
 HAINUN, British ship, 636, Robson, 23rd Mar.—Straits 2nd Mar. General.—Douglas LaPraik & Co.
 LYDIA, German ship, 23rd Mar. from Canton.
 MALIA, British ship, 3,900, R. A. Peters, 23rd Mar.—Shanghai 20th Mar. Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
 MATHILDE, German ship, 678, H. Lorenzen, 23rd Mar.—Haiphong 19th Mar. and Kollow 21st, General.—Jensen & Co.
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DEPARTURES.

23rd March.
 CHINGTU, British ship, for Koba.
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SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British ship Hainun reports: Moderate wind and fine weather.
 The British ship Woosung reports: Rainy, misty and moderate monsoon.
 The British ship Gledjoch reports: Light wind, smooth sea and fine weather to lat. 20 N., from these strong N.E. monsoon and head sea to port.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

23rd March.
 ADRIEN DUCKS.—Katharine Park.
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LONDON & ANTWERP.	BENGLOE	Brit. str.	—	C. H. Burch	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	On 27th inst.
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MARSEILLES, &c. VIA PORTS OF CALL.	TOURANE	French str.	—	Girard	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	On 23rd May.
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HAYRE & HAMBURG.	SUEVIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Knaiss	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 24th inst.
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HAYRE & HAMBURG.	SLAVONIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Madsen	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 2nd May.
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HAYRE & HAMBURG.	SENEGAMBIA	Ger. str.	k.w.	Jaburg	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE	On 30th May.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL.	ALCORNUS	Brit. str.	1 m.	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th April.
GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL.	LAETES	Brit. str.	—	—	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	On 24th May.
TRIESTE, &c. VIA SINGAPORE, &c.	M. BACQUEHEM	Am. str.	—	Kassovitch	SANDER, WIELER & CO.	On 28th inst., P.M.
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SCANDIA	HAYRE and HAMBURG	On 28th Mar.	Freight & Passengers.
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SILESIA	HAYRE and HAMBURG	On 16th April.	Freight & Passengers.
SLAVONIA	HAYRE and HAMBURG	On 2nd May.	Freight & Passengers.
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FOR	STEAMERS	20 SAIL
SINGAPORE	"HOPSANG"	Friday, 24th Mar., 3 P.M.
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SHANGHAI VIA NINGPO	"HANGSANG"	Saturday, 25th Mar., 4 P.M.
TIENSIN VIA SWATOW	"ESANG"	Monday, 27th Mar., Noon.
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PRINZ REGENT LUTPOLD	WEDNESDAY 29th March
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 12th April
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 26th April
PREUSSEN	WEDNESDAY 10th May
ROON	WEDNESDAY 24th May
BAYERN	WEDNESDAY 7th June
ZIETEN	WEDNESDAY 21st June
GNESENAU	WEDNESDAY 5th July
SACHSEN	WEDNESDAY 19th July
SCHARNHORST	WEDNESDAY 2nd August
PRINZ HEINRICH	WEDNESDAY 16th August
PRINZ EITEL FRIEDRICH	WEDNESDAY 30th August

ON WEDNESDAY, 29th day of the MARCH, 1905, at Noon, the Steamship "PRINZ REGENT LUTPOLD," Captain M. Kirohner, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE, and CARGO, will leave this Port as above, CALLING at NAPLES and GENOA. Shipping Orders will be granted at Noon on MONDAY, the 27th March. Cargo and Specie will be received on Board until 5 P.M., on TUESDAY, the 28th March, and Parcels will be received at the Agency's Office until Noon on TUESDAY, the 28th March. Contents of Packages are required. No Parcel Receipts will be signed for less than \$2.50, and Parcels should not exceed Two Feet Cubic in Measurement. The Steamer has splendid accommodation, and carries a Doctor and Stewardesses. Linen can be washed on board.

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FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"KAISOW"	On 22nd March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"AGAMEMNON"	On 27th March.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"JASON"	On 1st April.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"LAERTES"	On 8th April.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"DARDANUS"	On 15th April.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"CHINGWU"	On 22nd April.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"TELEMACHUS"	On 29th April.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"DIOMEDES"	On 6th May.
GLASGOW AND LIVERPOOL	"DEUCALION"	On 13th May.

HOMEWARDS.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ACHILLES"	On 28th March.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"MACHAON"	On 11th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"ALCINOUS"	On 20th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"AGAMEMNON"	On 25th April.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"JASON"	On 9th May.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"LAERTES"	On 20th May.
AMSTERDAM, LONDON and ANTWERP	"PINGSUEY"	On 23rd May.

TRANS-PACIFIC SERVICE.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA, and all PACIFIC COAST PORTS, VIA NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	"TELEMACHUS"	On 20th April.

For Freight, apply to—
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Hongkong, 20th March, 1905.

CHINA NAVIGATION CO. LIMITED.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
MANILA, SHANGHAI, SWATOW, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN	"TAMING"	On 28th March.
MANILA, SHANGHAI, SWATOW, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN	"NINGPO"	On 28th March.
MANILA, SHANGHAI, SWATOW, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN	"WOOSUNG"	On 28th March.
MANILA, SHANGHAI, SWATOW, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN	"KANSU"	On 28th March.
MANILA, SHANGHAI, SWATOW, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN	"SUNGKIANG"	On 30th March.
MANILA, SHANGHAI, SWATOW, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN	"CHINGTU"	On 10th April.

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Hongkong, 20th March, 1905.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL	REMARKS.
SHANGHAI	"SIMLA"	About 24th March	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, &c.	"MALTA"	Noon, 25th March	See Special Advertisement.
LONDON and ANTWERP	"MALACCA"	About 29th March	Freight and Passage.
YOKOHAMA via SHANGHAI	"PERA"	About 2nd April	Freight only.

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Hongkong, 17th March, 1905.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—

SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

FROM	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
ANPING, VIA SWATOW	"DECIMA"	FRIDAY, 24th Mar.
FOOCHOW, VIA SWATOW	"CLARA JENSEN"	FRIDAY, 24th Mar.
TAMUL, VIA SWATOW	"B. BJORNSEN"	SUNDAY, 26th Mar.
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T. ARIMA, Manager.

Hongkong, 20th March, 1905.

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